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## GOVERNOR APPOINTS NEW REAL ESTATE COMMISSIONER

PHOENIX – Governor Janet Napolitano today has announced the appointment of Sam Wercinski to be the new Commissioner of the Arizona Department of Real Estate. Wercinski, of Paradise Valley, replaces Elaine Richardson, who resigned last month to devote more time to her family in Tucson.

"Sam's extensive experience in the real estate industry and history of leadership in both the private sector and the military made him a strong asset to the state." Governor Napolitano said. "Elaine's leadership will be missed in the department. I support her in her decision and wish her the best."

Wercinski has been a licensed real estate broker since 1992, and has owned his own firm, Custom Reality in Scottsdale, since 2000. After being honorably discharged from the Air Force in 1989 he received his Master's in International Management at Thunderbird, the Garvin School of International Management.